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Periodic Reporting (Proposals Sixteen Through Twenty)

Docket No. RM2012-2

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 4

(Issued April 19, 2012)

To clarify the basis of the Postal Service's estimates in its proposals filed in Docket No. RM2012-2, the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. Answers should be provided to individual questions by no later than April 24, 2012.

Proposal Eighteen

- Please refer to Prop18FCMFlats.xls, Prop18STDFlats.xls, and Prop18PERFlats.xls. Time Inc. has proposed modifying cost models to classify FSS NDC costs as modeled costs. See Comments of Time Inc. on Proposal Eighteen, "Comments of Halstein Stralberg on the Serious Deficiencies of the Proposal Eighteen/ACR2011 Periodicals Flats Model" at footnote 17. The Postal Service did not oppose this modification. Reply Comments of the United States Postal Service Regarding Proposal Eighteen at 8. The following questions relate to that modification.
 - a. Does the coverage factor calculated on tab "switches" (8.16%) include FSS volume processed at NDCs? If not, please provide a coverage factor that includes FSS volume processed at NDCs and provide all supporting calculations.
 - Does the FSS productivity in tab "Productivity" include the TPF of FSS machines at NDCs? If not, please provide the FSS productivity that

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c. Please indentify any input data to the Flats models that does not include data (volume, TPF, etc.) related to FSS machines in NDCs. If additional input data is identified, please provide updated data that incorporate NDC FSS data.

Proposal Twenty

d. Please refer to USPS-FY11-21 and Responses of the United States Postal Service to Chairman's Information Request No. 3, Question 4. Please update USPS-FY11-21 PROPOSAL20.xls to reflect the acceptance and reject rates collected using the webEOR system as described in USPS-FY08-10. Please be sure to provide all source data.

By the Chairman.

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